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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of Scott BARHAM et al ) DEXTRAN STARCH AND FLOCCULANT  
Serial No.: 09/701,160 ) COMBINATION FOR IMPROVING RED MUD  
Filed: November 17, 2000 ) CLARIFICATION  
 ) Attorney Docket: TJK/135  
 ) Group Art Unit: 1724  
 ) Examiner: Hruskoci

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Date of Signature: MAY 16, 2002

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

**REQUEST FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION**

With reference to the Office Action dated February 4, 2002, Applicants respectfully request a one-month extension of the term for response, from the present term of May 4, 2002, up to a new term of June 4, 2002.

A check is enclosed in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the cost of said extension. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 23-2126 for any additional fee deemed necessary.

A duplicate copy of this request is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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